Common Name: Nodding Onion

Botanical Name: *Allium cernuum*

Location: Perennial Garden

Size: 12-18 inches tall and 4-6 inches wide

Bloom Time: June-July

Bloom Color: Pink

Light Requirements: Full sun to partial shade

Moisture and Soil Requirements: Grow in average, dry to medium, well-drained soil. Best in sandy loams. Drought tolerant.

Hardiness: Zones 4-8

Insect problems: None serious.

Diseases: None serious.

Maintenance notes: Naturalizes by self-seeding and bulb offsets in optimum conditions. Deadhead flowers before seed set to control unwanted spread. Foliage persists into late summer before dying back. Plant seeds in spring or bulb offsets in fall.

Uses: All plant parts are edible. Showy flowers attract butterflies. Interplant with *Artemisia alba* ‘Canascens’. Naturalizes well in rock gardens and is pleasing in border fronts, cottage gardens or naturalized areas. Almost sole food source for Marquette *et al* on their journey in fall of 1674.